

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Hideo SUGIMOTO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2613

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Examiner: B. Senfi

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For : ELECTRONIC ENDOSCOPE SELECTOR AND ELECTRONIC  
ENDOSCOPE SYSTEM

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 2, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 2, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained remarks:

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this Response.